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SUBJECT: German Merchant Ship CATHARINA WIARDS -- Crew, Cargo,  
Charter Parties, Owners, Itinerary During 15 to 17 April  
53 Visit to US

DATE OF INFO: 29 April 1953

DOCUMENTARY:

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on the German Merchant Ship CATHARINA WIARDS, including information on  
her crew, cargo, charter parties, owners, and itinerary during a 15 to  
17 April 1953 visit to the US.

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SOURCE

DIO 8ND Representatives and

District Intelligence Office, 8ND May 5 9 26 AM '53

SUBJECT

German Merchant Ship CATHARINA WIARDS - Information on at port of New Orleans, La.

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BRIEF (FOR REPORTS OF MORE THAN PAGE, ENTER CAREFUL SUMMARY)

This report contains information relative to crew, cargo, charter parties, owners, and itinerary of subject vessel during her visit to New Orleans 15 to 17 April 1953.

Ref: (a) ONI -Y-38-3 of 21 January 1953. Subj: NON COMMUNIST REGISTERED MERCHANT SHIPPING TRADING WITH THE COMMUNIST BLOC IN EUROPE - SEPTEMBER 1952

(b) Com 8 Confidential dispatch to CNO 151630Z of April 1953

(c) Com 8 Confidential dispatch to CNO 220130Z of April 1953

Encl: (1) Crew list of subject vessel at port of New Orleans, April 1953

1. NIRM 2 coverage was forwarded by reference (c) indicating vessel was of West German registry, call sign DDSM, type-freighter of 1618 gross tons. She discharged 2077 long tons of raw sugar in bulk which was lifted at Sagua La Grande, Cuba and cleared port in ballast. It was further developed by DIO 8ND representatives and representatives of another federal agency that subject vessel has no registry numbers, as according to the vessel's master, only East German vessels are numbered. Vessel's recorded owners since 1952 were Adolf Wiards, An der Schlanchte 3-15, Bremen 23, Germany, who purchased her from the German Steamship Co., "Hansa", of Bremen. Vessel's register indicated she was built at Haarlem in 1920 and builders plate in engine room contained the following: MAATSCHAPPI VOOR SCHEEPS EN WERKTINGBOUW "FYNENCOORD" No. 519, 1920 Rotterdam.

2. The vessel's charterers are Terminal Auxiliary Maritima. S.A. of 104 San Ignacio St., Havana, Cuba, effective from 6 March 1953 to January 1954. Vessel's charter clause specifically prohibits call to Russia, Satellite countries and Israel. Her General agents are I. W. Hartman & Co. Inc. of New York City and Tideman & Dalton acted as local agents. Local agents state vessels future itinerary to be confined to sugar cargoes between New Orleans and Cuba for the duration of current charter.

3. The master stated subject vessel departed Hamburg 14 March 1953 for Cuba and that it was his and the entire crew's maiden voyage with the exception of the Chief Engineer; Otto ROTTER. Rotter stated ship had not visited any Russian or Satellite ports during the past year other than Finland.

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4. Enclsoure (1) was checked against DIO 8ND files and revealed no derogatory information. Crew member No. 19, Leon ROZYNSKI, fireman, is listed on enclosure (1) as having no nationality; this was explained by fact subject man was born in Danzig which was a free city, now incorporated in the Soviet orbit. There are 21 persons in the crew including the master. The master stated there were no known Communist among them.

5. Inasmuch as subject vessel will be operating a static schedule between Cuba and New Orleans for the next nine months is not contemplated to report further movements unless specifically requested to do so.

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SOURCE INFORMATION: DIO 8ND representatives and representatives of another federal agency.

PREPARING OFFICER'S COMMENT: In view of the source of the information contained herein it is believed that this report is accurate.

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